

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend ¶ [0254] of the specification, as numbered in the published application, as shown below:

[0254] FIG. 24 is a flowchart 2400 describing an algorithm to compute v-structures (e.g., using one or more computer processors). More specifically, the algorithm (referred to as "Kivs") allows computation of all v-structures within a digraph K, thereby returning $V(B.sub.n)$, i.e. the set of vertices for any identified v-structure B.sub.n. For the following considerations, V.sub.k and v.sub.l are two vertices in K.